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SUBJECT:MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT RE ECONOMIC SUMMIT

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER TO
PRIME MINISTER CALLAGHAN FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY FEBRUARY 12:

2. QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER:

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR HOSPITALITY TO THE
VICE PRESIDENT AND HIS PARTY DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO
LONDON. I HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO TALK AT LENGTH WITH HIM,
AND BOTH OF US ARE EXTREMELY PLEASED WITH THE RESULTS
OF THE TRIP. HE HAS GIVEN ME A FULL REPORT ON HIS
CONVERSATION WITH YOU, AND I VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR
FRANK APPRAISALS OF ISSUES AFFECTING OUR COUNTRIES. WE
WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE OUR FULL SUPPORT TO YOUR EFFORTS
TO BUILD A JUST PEACE IN RHODESIA.

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BECAUSE I FAVORED PRESIDENT GISCARD'S SUGGESTION OF
ANOTHER MEETING OF THE HEADS OF STATE OF THE INDUS-
TRIALIZED DEMOCRACIES, I ASKED THE VICE PRESIDENT TO
CONSULT ABOUT IT AT EACH STOP, AND WITH PRIME MINISTER
TRUDEAU. HE FOUND STRONG SUPPORT FOR SUCH A MEETING,
AND A GENERAL CONSENSUS THAT, WITH YOUR AGREEMENT, IT

SHOULD BE HELD IN LONDON IN EARLY TO MID-MAY. I WOULD HOPE THAT--AS PRESIDENT GISCARD SUGGESTED AND YOU AND THE VICE PRESIDENT DISCUSSED--WE MIGHT USE THE OCCASION TO HOLD, DISCRETELY, A SEPARATE, SMALLER MEETING OF THE FOUR POWERS RESPONSIBLE FOR BERLIN.

IF THIS IS AGREEABLE TO YOU, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT, AS THE HOST COUNTRY HAS IN THE PAST, YOU ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MEETING, INCLUDING SENDING OUT INVITATIONS. THE PARTICIPANTS WOULD BE THOSE REPRESENTED AT PUERTO RICO. AS THE VICE PRESIDENT INDICATED, WE WOULD WELCOME PARTICIPATION BY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY. OF COURSE, THE NATURE OF REPRESENTATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IS A MATTER FOR YOU AND YOUR EUROPEAN COLLEAGUES TO DECIDE. ACCORDINGLY, I HAVE NOT SENT A LETTER TO MR. JENKINS.

AS THE JAPANESE HAVE REQUESTED, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE MEETING BE HELD JUST BEFORE THE NATO MINISTERIAL MEETING, ALTHOUGH OF COURSE THE TWO MEETINGS WILL BE COMPLETELY SEPARATE, AS YOU AND THE VICE PRESIDENT DISCUSSED. WE CAN CONSULT FURTHER ABOUT THE PRECISE TIMING. I KNOW WE SHARE A BELIEF IN THE IMPORTANCE OF CAREFUL PREPARATION IN ADVANCE OF A MEETING OF THIS NATURE. I WILL SOON NAME MY REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE PREPARATIONS, AND I WILL INFORM YOU JUST AS SOON AS THAT CHOICE IS MADE.

I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU IN MARCH. WE CAN AT THAT TIME DISCUSS PREPARATIONS FOR THE MEETING, AMONG
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MANY OTHER ISSUES OF INTEREST TO OUR TWO NATIONS.

SINCERELY,

JIMMY CARTER END QUOTE

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